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Serial No. 09/361,542

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 8, 2002, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks in support of patentability. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. Applicant believes that a one (1) month extension of time is necessary and respectfully requests that the Commissioner grants the extension.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 31 and 33-35 and add newly presented Claims 36-41.

Claim 36 (new). A method of administering an active agent to one or more of the esophagus, stomach and small intestine by swallowing a safe and effective amount of a mucoretentive composition comprising from about 2% to about 50%, by weight of the composition, of colloidal particles of silica and a safe and effective amount of a pharmaceutical active selected from the group consisting of gastrointestinal agents, analgesics, decongestants, expectorants, antitussives, antihistamines, bronchodilators, topical anesthetics, sensory agents and mixtures thereof.